

13. *Statute 2. Act or Proceedings due on a holiday to be done the next working day.* — Where by any law, any act or proceeding is to be done or taken in the office of the University on a certain day or within a prescribed period, and the office is closed on that day or the last day prescribed, the act or proceeding shall be considered as done or taken in due time if it is done or taken on the date on which the office re-opens.

14. *Statute 3. Working Hours for Office and Teachers.* — The Office of the University shall be open daily for transaction of business between the hours 10.30 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. with a break of 30 minutes to be availed for lunch between 13.00 and 14.00 hours except on Saturdays, Sundays and Government Gazetted holidays. The Office may be closed for a day or part of a day on particular occasions at the discretion of the Vice-Chancellor provided arrangements are made for the transaction of urgent business.

The hours of work for the University Departments of Study and Research shall be the same as the hours prescribed for the University Office, except in the case of members of staff engaged in conducting classes outside the prescribed hours. Their hours shall be such as may be prescribed by the Vice-Chancellor.

CHAPTER II

THE UNIVERSITY

1. *Act S. 3. Name of University.* — There shall be a University by the name "The Bharathiar University".

2. The University shall be a body corporate, shall have perpetual succession and a common seal and shall sue and be sued by the said name.

3. The Headquarters of the University shall be located within the limits of the City of Coimbatore or in any place within a radius of twenty-five kilometres around those limits.

4. *Act S. 4. Objects and Powers of the University.* — The University shall have the following objects and powers, namely :-

(1) to provide for instruction and training in such branches of learning as it may determine;

(2) to provide for research and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge;

(3) to institute degrees, titles, diplomas and other academic distinctions;

(4) to hold examinations and to confer degrees, titles, diplomas and other academic distinctions on persons who

(a) shall have pursued an approved course of study in a University College or Laboratory or in an affiliated or approved College, unless exempted therefrom in the manner prescribed by the Statutes and shall have, passed the prescribed examinations of the University, or

(b) shall have carried on research under conditions prescribed;

(5) to confer degrees, titles, diplomas and other academic distinctions on persons who shall have pursued an approved course of study in an autonomous College;

Statute. — And such of those who have been declared qualified to receive the same by the College.

(6) to hold examinations and to confer degrees, titles, diplomas and other academic distinctions on persons who shall have pursued an approved course of study by correspondence whether residing within the University area or not, and to provide such lectures and instructions for persons not being residents within the University area under conditions prescribed;

(7) to confer honorary degrees or other academic distinctions under conditions prescribed;

(8) to institute, maintain and manage institutes of research, University Colleges and Laboratories, Libraries, Museums and other institutions necessary to carry out the objects of the University;

(9) to affiliate colleges to the University as affiliated, professional or post-graduate colleges under conditions prescribed and to withdraw affiliation from colleges;

(10) to approve colleges providing courses of study for admission to the examinations for titles and diplomas of the University under conditions prescribed and to withdraw such approval ;

(11) to designate any college as an autonomous college with the concurrence of the Government in the manner and under conditions prescribed and to cancel such designation;

(12) to institute lecturerships, readerships, professorships and any other teaching post required by the University and to appoint persons to such Lecturerships, Readerships, Professorships and other teaching posts;

(13) to institute and award fellowships, travelling fellowships, scholarships, studentships, bursaries, exhibitions, medals and prizes in accordance with the statutes;

(14) to establish, maintain and manage hostels, to recognise hostels not maintained by the University and to withdraw recognition therefrom;

(15) to exercise such control over the students of the University through the Colleges as will secure their health and well-being and discipline;

(16) to hold and manage endowments and other properties and funds of the University;

(17) to borrow money with the approval of the Government on the security of the property of the University for the purpose of the University;

(18) to fix fees and to demand and receive such fees as may be prescribed;

(19) to make grants from the funds of the University for the maintenance of a National Cadet Corps;

(20) to institute and maintain a University Extension Board;

(21) to institute and provide funds for the maintenance of :

(a) a publication bureau,

(b) an employment bureau,

(c) students' unions,

(d) university athletic clubs and

(e) other similar associations;

(22) to encourage co-operation among the colleges, laboratories and institutes in the University area and co-operate with other Universities and other authorities in such manner and for such purposes as the University may determine;

(23) to recommend to the Government the recognition of any area within the University area as a University Centre; and

(24) generally to do all such other acts and things as may be necessary or desirable to further the objects of the University.

5. *Act S. 5. Colleges not to be affiliated to any other University and recognition of Institution by the University.* — (1) No college within the University area shall be affiliated to any University other than the Bharathiar University.

(2) No institution affiliated to, or associated with, or maintained by any other University in the State of Tamil Nadu shall be recognised by the University for any purpose except with the prior approval of the Government and the concerned University.

6. *Act S. 6. Disqualification for membership.* — (1) No person shall be qualified for nomination or election as a member of any of the authorities of the Universities, if on the date of such nomination or election, he is —

(a) of unsound mind, a deaf-mute or suffering from leprosy; or

(b) an applicant to be adjudicated as an insolvent or an undischarged insolvent; or

(c) sentenced by a criminal court to imprisonment for any offence involving moral turpitude.

(2) In case of dispute of doubt the Syndicate shall determine whether a person is disqualified under sub-section (1) and its decision shall be final.

7. (1) *Act S. 49. Removal from membership of the University:* — The Syndicate may. — (a) On the recommendation of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Syndicate, remove by an order in writing made in this behalf the name of any person from the register of graduates; or

(b) remove by an order in writing made in this behalf any person from membership of any authority of the University by a resolution passed by a majority of the total membership of the Syndicate and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Syndicate present and voting at the meeting; if such person had been

convicted by a criminal court for an offence which in the opinion of the Syndicate involves moral turpitude or if he has been guilty of gross misconduct and for the same reason, the Syndicate may withdraw any degree or diploma conferred on or granted to that person by the University.

(2) The Syndicate may also by an order in writing made in this behalf remove any person from the membership of any authority of the University, if he becomes of unsound mind or deaf-mute or suffers from leprosy or has applied to be adjudicated or has been adjudicated as an insolvent.

(3) No action under this section shall be taken against any person unless he has been given a reasonable opportunity to show cause against the action proposed to be taken.

(4) A copy of every order passed under sub section (1) or sub-section(2) as the case may be, shall as soon as may be after it is so passed, be communicated to the person concerned in the manner prescribed by regulations.

8. *Act S.7 :- Disqualification for election or nomination to Senate, Syndicate and Standing Committee on Academic Affairs.* - (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 20, 23 or 24, no person who has held office as a member for a total period of six years in any one or more of the following authorities of the University or any other University in the State of Tamil Nadu established by, or under, any law in force, namely :-

- i) the Senate
- ii) the Syndicate; and
- iii) the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs, shall be eligible, for election or nomination to any of the said three authorities.

Explanation - I. For the purpose of computing the total period of six years referred to in this sub-section, the period of three years during which a person held office in one authority either by election or nomination and the period of three years during which he held office in another authority either by election or nomination shall be taken into account and accordingly such person shall not be eligible for election or nomination to any two of the said three authorities.

Provided that for the purposes of this sub-section, a person who has held office for a period not less than one year in any one of the said three authorities in a casual vacancy shall be deemed to have held office for a period of three years in that authority;

Provided that for the purpose of this sub-section, if a person was elected or nominated to one authority and such person became a member of another authority by virtue of the membership in the first mentioned authority, the period for which he held office in the first mentioned authority alone shall be taken into account".

Explanation II. For the purpose of this sub-section, the expression "period" shall include the period of office held by any person prior to the 5th July 1984.

(2) Nothing in sub-section (1) shall have application in respect of

(i) ex-officio members referred to in section 20 (a) Class I, but not including members of the Syndicate who are not otherwise members of the Senate referred to in item (13); and

(ii) ex-officio members referred to in section 23 (2) (a), class I, but section 24 (b) class I.

* Amendment: Section 8 Act S.7. Disqualification for Election or Nomination to Senate, Syndicate and Standing Committee Academic Affairs --- omitted.

---vide 5.15 of the Tamil Nadu Universities Laws (Amendment) Act, 1989 (Tamil Nadu Act 29 of 1989) and shall come into force on the 11th September 1989.

8. *Act S.7 :- "Restriction for election or nomination to Senate, Syndicate and Standing Committee on Academic Affairs. - (1)* Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 20, 23 or 24, any person who has completed two terms of three years each, continuously in any one or two of the following authorities of the University, namely:-

- i) the Senate
- ii) the Syndicate; and
- iii) the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs,

shall be eligible, after a period of three years has elapsed from the date of his ceasing to be such member, for election or nomination to any of the above mentioned authorities

Provided that for the purpose of this sub-section, if a person was elected or nominated to one authority and such person became a member of another authority by virtue of the membership in the first mentioned authority, the period for which he held office in the first mentioned authority alone shall be taken into account.

9 *Act S. 19 Vice-Chancellor and other Officers, etc. to be public servants. ---*

The Vice-Chancellor, the Registrar, the Finance Officer, the Controller of Examinations and other employees of the University shall be deemed when acting or purporting to act in pursuance of any of the provisions of this Act to be public servants within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code (Central Act XLV of 1860).

CHAPTER III

VISITATION

Act S. 8. --- 1. The Chancellor shall have the right to cause an inspection or inquiry to be made, by such person or persons as he may direct, of the University, its buildings, laboratories, libraries, museums, workshops and equipment and of any institutions maintained, recognised or approved by or affiliated to the University and also of the examinations, teaching and other work conducted or done by the University and to cause an inquiry to be made in respect of any matter connected with the University. The Chancellor shall in every case give notice to the University of his intention to cause such inspection or inquiry to be made and the University shall be entitled to be represented thereat.

2. The Chancellor shall communicate to the Syndicate his views with reference to the results of such inspection or inquiry and may, after ascertaining the opinion of the